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SUGAR SCHEDULE

Considered by the Republican Senatorial Caucus.

NEW CLAUSE TO BE INSERTED

In Lieu of that Formulated by Finance Committee.

IMPORTANT DECISION REACHED

That Republicans would Stand Together on all Schedules of the Tariff Bill--Provisions to be Made so that Hawaiian Treaty will Not be Abrogated--For the First Time in Tariff Legislation Cotton is Put on the Dutable List--Six Democratic Votes with the Republicans.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—The Republican caucus to-day was well attended, nearly every Republican senator in the city being present. Great interest was manifested in the caucus because it was known that an effort was to be made to secure a new sugar schedule, and one which all Republican senators could support. Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, was present and after the caucus adjourned, said it was very successful and that he felt that the Republicans were going to stand together on all schedules of the bill, and that an agreement would be reached where differences of opinion existed. Almost the entire time of the caucus was devoted to consideration of the sugar schedule; other features where there are differences were not reached.

No agreement was reached in regard to the Hawaiian treaty and the committee is expected to report some amendments or a provision which will not leave the matter in any uncertain condition or absolutely abrogate the existing reciprocity provisions of the treaty.

An important feature of the caucus was the determination reached to vote together as a party, which insures favorable action by the majority. This determination was reached upon a suggestion made by Senator Thurston. This suggestion led to the most interesting incident of the caucus. There had been several references to the meeting as a "conference." Mr. Thurston objected to this designation, saying that conferences never bound any one, and that he wanted it definitely understood whether this meeting was to be binding or a friendly chat without further results, for if it was not to bind all senators on all schedules he would not agree to abide by the decision upon the sugar question.

This speech brought Senator Hanna to his feet with an earnest plea for party harmony and united effort on all the features of the bill. He referred to the apparent divisions at present existing in the senate, and said it was high time that a perfect understanding was reached. Senator Thurston then put his suggestion in the shape of a motion to the effect that the agreement of the caucus should be binding upon all Republican senators and it carried by a large majority.

The main propositions on the sugar schedule were those fixing the rate on refined sugar. There were three of these propositions. The one adopted fixing the rate at one and ninety-five hundredths of a cent per pound. In place of one and eight hundred and seventy-five one thousandths as fixed by the house bill, was suggested by Senator Spooner. Senator Perkins suggested 12-15 and Senator Wellington the rate of the house bill.

The last amendments were voted down viva voce and the Spooner amendment accepted by an almost unanimous vote.

There was no especial effort to retain the amendments originally offered by the senate finance committee and no proposition was made to that effect by any one. Senators Allison and Aldrich expressed the opinion that the schedule as prepared by their committee was equitable and that its provisions were misunderstood.

The failure of the caucus to take steps looking to the protection of the Hawaiian reciprocity treaty has caused considerable comment, but the friends of Hawaii in the senate say that the omission was due to no other reason than that the want of sufficient time. Senator Frye's speech was a zealous appeal for the maintenance of the treaty. He said that Pearl Harbor was ceded to the United States in exchange for the concession of Hawaiian sugar to this country, and declared that its abrogation at this time would be an act of bad faith.

DUTY PLACED ON COTTON

For the First Time in History of Tariff Legislation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—By the decisive vote of 42 to 19 the senate to-day adopted an amendment to the tariff bill, placing raw cotton, the great product of the south, on the dutiable list, at 20 per cent ad valorem. It is the first time in the history of tariff legislation that a duty of cotton has been incorporated in a bill.

The amendment was proposed by Mr. Bacon, (Dem., Ga.), on his individual responsibility and without the approval of the finance committee, which thus far has been requisite to the success of every amendment except a minor one, which went through by default.

The amendment led to a spirited debate, Democratic senators disclosing a wide difference of views, and at times exchanging sharp personal criticisms. On the final vote six Democrats, Bacon and Clay, of Georgia; McHenry, of Louisiana; McLean and Tillman, of South Carolina; and Hawley, of Utah, voted with the Republicans for the Bacon amendment, while the negative vote was solidly Democratic with one exception, Kyle, Populist. The debate on cotton took up most of the day and but little progress was made on the bill. Early in the day the sugar schedule was passed over and the agricultural schedule taken up. The paragraph on cotton went over but the balance of the agricultural schedule up to and including paragraph 23 was agreed to as amended, all amendments except that of Mr. Bacon's being rejected.

Archibald Thompson Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—The senate to-day confirmed the following nominations: John J. De Haven, to be United States district judge for the

northern district of California; John K. Thompson, to be marshal district of West Virginia; Ellis H. Roberts, of New York, to be treasurer of the United States; Carl Bailey Hurst, of the District of Columbia, to be consul general at Vienna, Austria.

WEST VIRGINIA MATTERS.

Fourth Class Postmasters Appointed and Pensioners Granted.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—West Virginia postmasters of the fourth class were appointed to-day as follows: Arnettsville, Monongalia county, J. O. Glasscock; Aurora, Preston county, E. O. Ridenour; Benwood, Marshall county, Carrie Newton; Elia, Marshall county, H. R. Williams; Elk Water, Randolph county, F. R. Stalnaker; Fort Spring, Greenbrier county, R. A. Perry; Helvetia, Randolph county, Lyman Cutright; Hominy Falls, Nicholas county, J. W. Delta; Logan, Logan county, B. O. Holland; Meadville, Tyler county, W. A. F. Smith; Morgantown, Doddridge county, J. H. Frashier; Munson, Morgan county, D. T. Householder; Spring Hill, Kanawha county, A. R. Shepherd; Thurmond, Fayette county, J. H. Grubb; Worthington, Marion county, A. J. McDaniel; Bramwell, Mercer county, W. O. Brooke; Dingess, Mingo county, P. B. Brown; Iogger, McDowell county, William Patrick; Job, Randolph county, J. H. Lamber; Muddlety, Nicholas county, J. H. Robinson; Nelson, Boone county, N. B. Basham; Rock View, Wyoming county, B. D. Stewart.

Pension certificates were issued to-day to West Virginia applicants as follows: Renewal—Vincent E. Garner, Caldwell.

Increase—Joseph Clendennin, West Columbia.

Original widows—Columbia A. Evans, Milledge; Malinda J. Koonz, St. Albans.

Richard C. Melson, of Martin's Ferry, O., has obtained an increase of pension. Letters patent have been issued to Henry Barton, of Charleston, for an improved steam boiler.

Representative Miller has appointed Chester Charles Farmer, of Parkersburg, a cadet to the United States naval academy at Annapolis, with John Wesley Scott, of Jackson county, as alternate.

FREDERICK M. LATNG, OF JACKSON COUNTY, WHO WAS RECENTLY APPOINTED BY CONGRESSMAN MILLER, A CADET TO WEST POINT, HAS DECLINED TO ACCEPT AND HIS ALTERNATE, HENRY M. NELLY, OF PARKERSBURG, WILL TAKE HIS PLACE.

Representative Miller to-day recommended Dr. Alex. R. Parsons, of Spencer, for appointment as examining surgeon of the pension bureau.

CUBAN SITUATION

And Spanish Mission Discussed at the Cabinet Meeting.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—The cabinet meeting to-day lasted longer than usual. The Cuban situation was discussed in a general way, but the most important subject presented was the Spanish mission. The availability of three men for this important post at Madrid were carefully canvassed, but no decision was reached. One of the cabinet officers said after the meeting that the selection was still open and will now go over until the President's return from the Nashville trip.

Assistant Secretary Day said to-day that the report of Consul General Lee upon the results of the investigation made in Havana in the Ruiz case had not yet been received at the state department. Assuming, however, that the consul general's conclusions are correctly set forth, in brief that Ruiz died while in jail in violation of his treaty rights, the question before the department of the largest importance is, what shall be the next step?

DURRANT'S CASE.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 8.—The peculiar status of the Durrant case is exciting an unusual amount of public comment since the postponement of Worden's execution. The opinion is generally expressed that Durrant will not hang on Friday next. Attorney General Fitzgerald, however, says that unless officially notified or restrained, Worden stands ready to carry out the sentence. It is generally believed among the legal fraternity that pending the action of the United States supreme court, Governor Budd will grant a reprieve.

WAGE SCALE CONFERENCE.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 8.—The first conference on the iron and steel wage scales of the Amalgamated Association will be on the tin plate scale. It will be held in Pittsburgh on Wednesday, June 15. Both sides are busy gathering data to support their claims. The workers are firm, and say they will not concede a point. They will ask for a restoration of the rates paid under the McKinley tariff law, which means an advance over the present wages from 12 1/2 to 15 per cent. The manufacturers assert that the conditions will not justify any increase in wages.

Oh, What a Small Mind.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., June 8.—Governor Dan W. Jones, of Arkansas, has refused to appoint delegates to represent Arkansas at the International Gold Mining convention to be held in Denver early next month. Mayor Woodson to-day appointed five delegates from Little Rock. When asked if he would appoint delegates from the state at large, Governor Jones said: "I intend to ignore this convention altogether and shall decline to appoint delegates to it. There is no silver in it and I am opposed to anything of this kind that seems inimical to the interests of bimetallism."

An Artificial Earthquake.

MUNICH, June 8.—Lightning struck a powder factory to-day about three miles from Rosenheim, exploding 11,000 pounds of gunpowder. The doors of houses at Rosenheim and at Stephans-Kirchen, about one and a half miles from Rosenheim were torn from their hinges, big trees were uprooted and eleven houses were shattered. But in spite of the fearful force of the explosion there was no loss of life.

Shot Dead in Court.

JUNCTION CITY, Ark., June 8.—A bloody tragedy was enacted here to-day in a justice court room, in which one man was murdered and which may result in the lynching of the murderer before morning. The injured man was W. R. Coffee, of El Dorado, and the murderer is J. J. McPherson, of the same place. Both men were lawyers. Coffee and Sheppard were opposing in a trial before Justice Wright.

A SEPARATE CHAIR

Of Greek Provided for by the University Regents.

CHAIR OF APPLIED SCIENCES

Created in the Mechanical School—Appropriation Made to Build a Wing to the Main Building—A Resolution Introduced to Establish a School of Art and Music for Female Students—Montgomery Preparatory School an Elephant on the Hands of the Regents—Preliminary Commencement Exercises Rendered Unpleasant by Showers.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

MORGANTOWN, June 8.—So far the university regents have done nothing but routine work, and refuse to talk about removals of members of the faculty. They have decided to create a separate chair of Greek, and Professor L. C. Woolery, of Des Moines, Iowa, will be elected to the professorship of the chair. Professor Woolery was formerly professor in Bethany college, Brooke county, W. Va., and is a noted Greek scholar.

Seven thousand five hundred dollars was appropriated to-day to build a wing to the main building, and the work will be done this summer. An appropriation was made for a more elaborate equipment of mechanical hall, and a chair of applied sciences was created.

The board rejected the recommendation of the director of the experiment station, for the purchase of a farm for dairy experiments.

Judge John A. Campbell introduced a resolution to-day establishing a school of art and music for the young women attending the university. Co-education is proving such a success here that there is hearty sympathy with the movement to do something for the young women students along this line. The board will be in session until Friday.

Regents Brown and Lee and State Superintendent of Schools Trotter have been appointed a sub-committee to prepare a report on the Montgomery preparatory school. According to the regents this school is a tremendous elephant on their hands, and they are in favor of offering the building as a home for incurables, or any other worthy charitable object. It is now complete, and cost the state about ten thousand dollars. This money, it is generally agreed, could have been spent to better advantage on the university proper.

THE WEEPING HEAVENS

Interfere with the Preliminary Commencement Festivities.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. MORGANTOWN, June 8.—A worse day for commencement festivities could not well be imagined than to-day. From early morning rain has fallen and the prospects are that the whole commencement season will be one continuous shower. As a consequence, any other previous commencement exercises have the blues. The military exercises and contests, which make up a big part of the programme, are an impossibility, several attempts at a display having resulted in a drenching to the cadets. The military department was especially provoked this morning because it could not make a demonstration in honor of the governor, which had been arranged. The artillery fired a salute of seventeen guns, and then had to go in to dry out.

A big crowd of visitors came in this morning and spare rooms are at a premium. The crowd is greater than at any other previous commencement. The arrivals included Governor Atkinson and daughters, his staff, several of the state officials, Congressman and Mrs. Dayton, and many of the most prominent alumni of the institution.

The company competitive drill took place this afternoon in the gymnasium. The building was too small to accommodate a small fraction of the crowd, and the cadets were crowded for room to execute the movements. Paul McCoy, of Fairmont, was judged the best drilled cadet in the corps and was given the regents' gold medal. Roy Rogers and F. C. Corbin, of the finish with McCoy. The judges were Lieut. Settle, of the United States army, Capt. T. C. Johnson and Col. D. T. E. Casteel, assistant adjutant general. The presentation of the different prizes given to cadets will take place to-morrow and Governor Atkinson will make the presentation speeches.

"Prepdom" has one big night assigned to it at the university each year, and that night is the occasion of the declamation contest for the regents' prizes. This feature of the commencement programme came off last night before a large audience. President Goodnight was the master of ceremonies, and the judges selected were Eugene Sommerville, A. J. Wilkinson and Dr. E. M. Turner. The contestants were H. M. Steele, of McDowell county, who declaimed "The Burning of Moscow," W. H. Bayless, of Preston county, "A Commonwealth Life," H. M. Simms, of Kanawha county, "Webster's Oration," R. B. Horter, of New Salem, Pa., "Toussaint L'Ouverture," and F. P. Corbin, of Ritchie county, "The Teacher the Hope of the Country." The efforts of all of the contestants were unusually meritorious, but the judges thought that Mr. Bayless was the most so, and awarded him the first prize. Mr. Corbin was awarded the second prize and Mr. Simms the third. C. P. Joffe, of Wetzel county, read an essay on "The Problem of City Government in America," which took the regents' prize for the best essay by a student in the academic departments.

THE SOCIAL SIDE.

Brilliant Reception Given by Prof. and Mrs. Okey Johnson.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. MORGANTOWN, June 8.—The reception given last night at the handsome home of Dean Johnson, of the law college, was one of the most delightful functions of the commencement season. Prof. and Mrs. Okey Johnson were assisted in receiving by Dr. and Mrs. St. George Tucker Brooke, and Prof. and Mrs. William P. Willey. Mrs. Corbett, Miss Heerman and Miss Belle Johnson assisted in the refreshment room, while Miss Thompson, Miss Florence Brown and Miss Blanche Wood served coffee. The attendance of students and young ladies of the town was very large, and the members of the board of regents took time from their labors to attend.

Dazzling Splendor of Governor's Staff.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

MORGANTOWN, June 8.—Commencement visitors who have had a look at the governor's staff in full military dress are not surprised that they

produced a sensation in New York recently. When it comes to clothes, the official legation at Washington are not in the same class with these warriors. Col. Morris Horkheimer says the staff has been invited to about everything big that is going to happen in the country this year, for the reason, he supposes, that no entertainment could be dull when they are on hand.

CLOSING EXERCISES

Of the Martinsburg High School—An Attractive Programme.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. MARTINSBURG, W. Va., June 8.—The commencement of the Martinsburg high school was held in the Opera House to-night. A large and appreciative audience saw the graduates receive their diplomas and heard their performances. The graduates are: Miss Edith Irene Beck, William L. Book, Miss Mary L. Blue, Harold H. Bender, Miss Elizabeth Grotzinger, George Ratham, Miss Alice Louisa Ratham, Miss May A. Schless, Miss Josina T. Schowers, Miss Daisy V. Rentsch, Miss Lulu D. Stephens and Charles W. Small.

They all read essays except Miss Stephens, and Miss Ratham, who took the opposite sides of a question in a debate, and Miss Rentsch, who recited. The performances were interspersed with songs by the entire class. Prof. Albert B. Carman, principal of the school, presided.

AN IMPORTANT WELL

One that Has Been the Cause of Extensive Developments.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

SISTERSVILLE, W. Va., June 8.—Members of the Calf Creek Oil Company, residing in this city, received word this afternoon that their test well, on the Fletcher farm, at Willow Island, had been drilled in and was flowing through the casing and is estimated to be making several hundred barrels of oil daily. This well is in practically new territory, and will be the cause of a great deal of new work being started in that section at once. The Calf Creek Company has about one hundred and fifty acres in the farm and has made arrangements to drill it at once.

Ramey & Company have shot their well on the Wilson farm, out at Hebron, and have increased its production from a five barrel well to a fifty barrel producer. This well, when drilled in, showed practically no oil, but has since been increasing its production and the shot has shown that there is some oil there. The Carter Oil Company has leased the Davis nearby and agreed to put a well down within thirty days on the strength of the increased production of the Wilson well. The increased production of this well will have the effect of starting a large amount of new work out there and will open up some new territory, as operations were stopped when the Wilson came in so small.

A Funeral Gathering.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

SISTERSVILLE, W. Va., June 8.—The State Undertakers' Association met in convention here this morning, and will probably be in session a portion of to-morrow. The meeting was called to order at 10 o'clock and the address of welcome on the part of the city was delivered by Hon. P. A. Shannon.

Killed Her Lover.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., June 8.—Florence Williams killed her lover in McDowell county this evening after a heated quarrel, and escaped. Both are members of prominent families. There is much excitement over the matter. The man was killed in a fit of jealousy, and was at the time preparing to take up a large tract of timber land to make ties for the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroad.

IMPERIAL COUNCIL

Of the Mystic Shrine Opened at Detroit.

Brilliant Spectacle.

DETROIT, Mich., June 8.—Grand Potentate Harrison Dingman and the imperial council of Mystic Shrine, were escorted to Masonic Temple to-day and formally welcomed to Detroit, by Mayor Maybury.

The march from the Potentate's headquarters, the Russell House, to the temple, was a gay spectacle, and the rich and varied costumes of the several companies of Arab patrols who formed the escort were picturesque in the bright June sunlight. Each temple represented by patriots was headed by a band of music. The grand potentate, officers and members of the imperial council rode in open carriages and tallies. Prominent in the patrols were Ismailia Temple, of Buffalo, N. Y., of Indianapolis, Zuhrah, of Minneapolis, Medina, of Chicago, Zenn Zenn, of Erie, Pa., of New York, Alma, of Washington, and Moslem, of Detroit.

The first session of the imperial council in the auditorium of the Masonic temple lasted from 10 o'clock to noon. It was strictly a star-chamber session. Mayor Maybury delivered one of his best unctuous addresses of welcome. He gave the visiting Shrine the freedom of the city and authorized them to take anything in sight that they wanted. Supreme Potentate Dingman then presented Mayor Maybury with a strand of rope, tied at both ends with ribbon, with the suggestion that he hang on to the rope and abstain from the office. The only business transaction of the session except the anointment of committees was the fixing of mileage and per diem of the delegates.

Steamer excursions and suppers at the St. Clair flats was the social programme for this evening.

SUPREME LODGE

Of the A. O. U. W. Opened Its Sessions in Milwaukee Yesterday.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 5.—The twenty-fifth stated meeting of the supreme lodge Ancient Order of United Workmen of the United States and Canada opened in Milwaukee to-day, with all the supreme officers and members of standing committees, as well as about one hundred and sixty delegates present. The sessions which are held in the lodge hall of the university building, will continue for a week or ten days.

It is understood there is an unusually large amount of legislative work in hand, including final action upon a move made by the grand lodge of the order in Ontario to secede from the supreme body and doing away with all name and reference to the supreme lodge, and conduct a grand lodge of its own in the Dominion, independent of the order in the states. This, it is claimed by the supreme officers, would be tantamount to open rebellion and strenuous efforts are being made to avoid squalls. Action upon the matter was postponed by the grand body in Canada until the matter could be fully heard before the supreme body in its Milwaukee session at this time.

PHILHARMONIC QUARTET.

A Youthful Violinist For Whom Great Things are Predicted—Last Concert of the Season.

A most appreciative audience listened last evening to the last of this half year's series of Philharmonic quartet concerts. An excellent programme had been prepared, containing quartette selections from the writings of Schubert, Beethoven and Kasmayer, all of which were beautifully interpreted. A trio for violin, cello and piano (Intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana") was exquisite in its rendering, the cello deserving special mention for the beauty of tone brought out, particularly in this selection. A repetition of the number was asked and given. A viola solo, played by Prof. Edward Blumenberg, was most enthusiastically received; two recalls were accorded the distinguished performer by an audience which would delightedly have listened to its second playing.

A number not on the programme, and the enjoyment of which was enhanced because of its unexpectedness, was played by Henry Weller, a young lad thirteen years of age, who is predicted by his teacher, Prof. Schockey, to become the violinist of not only this section, but of anywhere his lot may place him. He is a son of Rev. Gustav Weller, pastor of the German Methodist church on Chapline street, and has studied the past year with Prof. Schockey. That he is a genius, his playing of the sixth Air Varie by De Beriot proves, and musical Wheeling is indebted to Prof. Schockey and the Philharmonic quartet for bringing him to the front.

THE COURTS.

The injunction applied for by the National Supply Company and others, against N. W. Beck, assignee, to prevent the sale by him of the property of the Springer Oil and Gas Company, at Mountdeville, to-day, as advertised, was refused by Judge Pauli, before whom the matter was argued by counsel at considerable length yesterday afternoon.

State Supreme Court.

Ney, assignee, etc., vs. Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, from Taylor county, continued.

Greer & Laing vs. Barritt, et al. from Tucker county, continued.

Weimer, Wright & Watkins vs. Receptor & Company, from Taylor county, submitted.

Grimes vs. Bainbridge, from Taylor county, continued.

Darby & Company vs. Gilligan, et al. from Taylor county, submitted.

Williams vs. Maxwell, from Tucker county, continued.

G. & G. R. Co. vs. Davidson, from Taylor county, continued.

Daily vs. Dry Fork Railroad Company, from Randolph county, continued.

Armstrong vs. Bailey, from Taylor county, continued.

Hoffman vs. Fleming, from Taylor county, continued.

Williamson vs. Jones, from Tyler county, opinion by Brannon, decree of circuit court reversed and cause remanded for further proceedings. In this cause the victory is substantially in favor of the appellees and against Captain Jones.

Johnson vs. Rogers vs. Receptor & Company, from Taylor county, writ of error and supersedeas allowed; bond, \$250.

J. L. Hechmer was admitted on motion by T. S. Riley.

Adjourned until 10 a. m. to-day.

THEY'RE COMING OVER.

Hall of Martin's Ferry will be "At Home" on the State Fair Grounds on Saturday of Next Week.

The promoters of the annual outing and picnic to be given by St. Mary's congregation of Martin's Ferry, which takes place on the state fair grounds on Saturday of next week, June 19, predict that on that occasion half of the town of Martin's Ferry can be found on the island and the other half will be wishing it could be there. The committees in charge are arranging an attractive programme. Although it is not completed, the intelligencer can give some of the features that will go toward making an afternoon of unalloyed enjoyment.

First comes the bicycle race, in charge of Hayward Long, with the following prizes:

First, gold watch, 50; second, bicycle suit, \$30; third, bicycle stockings; fourth, a cake from one of the most famous cooking households in Martin's Ferry.

Ernest G. Smith and Charles Downer are arranging for the foot race, for which the prizes are:

First, pair of running shoes, \$7 50; second, rocker, \$6; third, shirt, \$3.

In Clerk Robertson's Office.

Yesterday in Clerk Robertson's office the following transfers of real estate were recorded:

Deed made June 1, 1897, by W. M. Dunlap, guardian, to Frank W. Donaldson, for one acre and sixty-three poles of land in Liberty district. Consideration, \$383 33.

Deed made June 1, 1897, by W. M. Dunlap and wife, of Washington, Pa., to Frank W. Donaldson, for four tracts of land in Liberty district, containing two acres and seventy-eight poles, two acres and 119 poles, three acres and thirty-one poles, and one acre and sixty-three poles. Consideration, \$2,066 67.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Charles L. St. John, consul of Great Britain at New Orleans, died yesterday morning.

The annual meeting of the Dunkards of the United States opened yesterday, at Frederick, Md.

Jerome Smathers, wife and seven children, were poisoned at Yelvington, Ky., yesterday, by Paris green.

Rev. Berry Lawson, a Methodist divine of Barboursville, Ky., was shot and instantly killed yesterday morning by his fifteen-year-old son. He had punished the boy for some slight offense.

Mrs. Sarah Granger, widow of the late Julian M. Granger, and sister of Stephen A. Douglas, died at her home near Clifton Springs, N. Y., yesterday, aged eighty-six years. She was postmaster there under President Arthur.

Dr. O. V. Limerick, who was jointly indicted with Dr. J. W. Prendergast, late health officer of Cincinnati, for attempted blackmail of the Fraser Tablet company, and who was convicted by the jury, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Murphy to serve two years in the penitentiary.

A mortgage for \$50,000,000, the largest ever placed on record in Chicago, was filed with County Recorder Simon, yesterday afternoon. It was given by the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Trust Company, to the Union Trust Company, of New York, and John D. Bove, of Indianapolis, Ind., trustee. The object of the mortgage is to issue bonds with which to refund the bonded indebtedness of the company.

A PUGNACIOUS FIRE

A Match Carelessly Dropped in a Fireworks Factory

CAUSES A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Hissing Rockets and Sizzling Roman Candles Bombard Pedestrians on the Streets of Chicago, Creating a Panic. Force of the Explosion was so Great that All the Windows in the Block were Shattered—Twenty-six Persons Received Injuries More or Less Serious.

CHICAGO, June 8.—A match carelessly dropped by one of the workmen in the fireworks factory of M. Shure, at the corner of West Van Buren and Halsted streets, caused a terrific explosion a few minutes after 6 o'clock to-night. It was shortly after the closing time of the factory, and many of the workmen had gone home, otherwise the loss of life must have been very heavy. As it was a number of the employees were badly hurt and the flying rockets and Roman candles struck several people who were passing on street cars and on the sidewalk. Following is the list of the injured:

Mrs. Maggie Kenny, struck by runaway horse; bruised and cut.

Miss Minnie Theuey, bruised and cut.

M. Shure, proprietor fire-works factory, badly cut by glass.

Mrs. Kate Grant, cut by glass.

George Grant, cut by glass.

Obin Lemper, cut on head by falling beam.

Fred A. Stiles, motorman on passing cable car, severely bruised and cut, by being thrown from his car.

Andrew Lawson, conductor on the same train; bruised by being thrown from car.

C. N. Smith, cut by glass while walking on the street.

Philip Shohard, struck in back by sky rocket, while on the opposite side of the street, unconscious and badly hurt.

J. F. Harris, cut by glass.

Edward Hayes, passenger on cable car, head cut by falling glass.

Samuel Braskin, tailor, jumped from a balcony, leg broken.

John Beckwarr, back cut.

William Blaha, injured by a runaway horse.

Max Braselink, spine injured by fall.

Patrick Hussey, struck by a falling beam, and several ribs fractured.

Unknown boy, run over by Fire Chief Swenley's buggy.